

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the following claims to appear as indicated:

1. A system comprising:
 - a first program to manipulate an item;
 - a database having the item;
 - a source code control (SCC) system to store versions of the item; and
 - a second program to check in and check out the item, such that modification of the item is restricted when the item is checked out.
2. The system of claim 1, wherein the first program comprises an editor program to edit the stored item.
3. The system of claim 1, wherein the first program requests to check out the item such that the second program checks out the item to the first program.
4. The system of claim 3, wherein the second program provides the first program a choice of one or more different versions of the item at the source code control (SCC) system and one or more different versions of the item at the database.
7. The system of claim 1, wherein the first program requests to check in the item such that the second program checks in the item into the source code control (SCC) system.

8. The system of claim 7, wherein the second program checks in the item into the source code control (SCC) system as saved to the database.

10. A computer-implemented method to check out an item from a source code control (SCC) system comprising:

comparing a stream of the item in the source code control (SCC) system with a stream of the item in a database;

determining whether the stream in the source code control (SCC) system is identical to the stream in the database;

upon determining that the stream in the source code control (SCC) system is different than the stream in the database, providing a user a choice to select one of the stream in the source code control (SCC) system and the stream in the database; and

checking out the item selected by the user, such that modification of the item is restricted when the item is checked out.

15. A computer-readable medium having instructions stored thereon for execution by a computer to perform a method comprising:

comparing a stream of an item in the source code control (SCC) system with a stream of the item in a database;

determining whether the stream in the source code control (SCC) system is identical to the stream in the database;